

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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Whereas, the Cosmopolitan, a building of luxury apartments under construction on the corner of Senate and Michigan, caught on fire early on the morning of March 12, 2009;

Whereas, all Indianapolis Fire Department (IFD) fire fighters and equipment were called to fight this three-alarm fire;

Whereas, the Cosmopolitan fire was a very long and difficult fire to fight. It burned through two shifts and it took days to put out all of the hot spots that continued to smolder after the flames had been extinguished;

Whereas, not even the weather cooperated with the fire-fighting efforts. The wind and the cold made the equipment ice up, making the job much more difficult;

Whereas, IFD was able to contain the fire, saving the Historic Landmark Building, the canal, and surrounding buildings from igniting as well;

Whereas, the Cosmopolitan Building was destroyed in the fire, but there were no injuries or fatalities;

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Whereas, IFD worked with investigators to determine the cause of the fire which ultimately lead to an arrest in the case;

Whereas, community businesses contributed to the effort by offering firefighters coffee, and Chick-Fil-A supplied chicken sandwiches;

Whereas, the township fire departments filled in at the IFD stations while IFD was fighting the fire and deserve mention for their indirect service in fighting this fire;

Whereas, extinguishing the Cosmopolitan fire truly was a team effort and all intervening parties should be congratulated for a job well done: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly
of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives
concurring:*

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Legislature wishes to congratulate
2 the Indianapolis Fire Department, the township fire departments, and
3 all community businesses who contributed in some manner to fighting
4 the Cosmopolitan fire on a job well done.

5 SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate be ordered to
6 transmit a copy of this resolution to the Indianapolis Fire Department
7 and each township fire department.

